

***Please replace the abstract with the following amended abstract:***

A method of manufacturing a capacitor [[has]] having a couple of electrodes (17, 21) with a dielectric [(20)] placed therebetween. At least one of the electrodes is made of copper, and barriers (18b, 18c) for preventing the diffusion of copper into the dielectric [(20)] are provided between the dielectric [(20)] and the copper electrode (17 and 21), respectively.